

Coffee Break

By Adeline Daley

I've often wondered why real estate people feel obliged to walk from room to room with a prospective buyer in tow, explaining grandiosely as they go, "this is the kitchen . . . This is the living room . . . This is the bathroom."

Many a time I have been tempted to retaliate, "Oh, how odd. I thought this room might have been an all-electric bedroom with its own built-in dishwasher, garbage disposal and wall oven."

On second thought, however, if we ever put our home up for sale, the real estate people would be wise to continue their practice of identifying each room to avoid confusion. For example, I understand that most garages are used for "the shelter and storage of one's automobile." But in our case we use ours to shelter such items as odd pieces of lumber, fruit jars, broken furniture and bags of clothes for the Goodwill. Thus the classified ad would have to describe our "garage" as a "king-size" closet, which runs the length of the house.

To refresh my memory I looked up the description of the word "living room" in the dictionary and found that it is "a room furnished with sofas and chairs, used for conversation, reading or entertaining guests." I saw no mention of the room being used also as a gymnasium for shooting basketball free throws behind the couch or practicing head stands.

Of course, that's why most families with children buy homes with rumpus rooms, "a room usually in the basement for games, dancing and recreation." I have a better description for ours: "a cellar with a TV set."

Nor do I know why I keep describing the bathroom at the end of the hall in our home as the "guest bathroom" because it also serves as the "kids' bathroom," who, in turn, think of it as a swimming pool every time they take a bath. Consequently, guests would be well advised to wear hip boots when using its facilities.

Perhaps, if we ever decide to sell our home, I would be wise to list the double uses of our rooms. For instance, how many homes can boast of an "open - floor plan, one furlong in length, ideal for children who like to use home as a race track when chasing each other around the house."

Also, "Own your own bowling alley. Long hallway easily adaptable for playing ten pins, dart throwing and punt-and-pass games."

In fact, I can hear the friendly real estate man now, "And this is the Rec Center."



GAY NIGHT IN MONTE CARLO

Harold Pope deals the cards to Mrs. Ellis Cook while Dean Mitchell serves up a spot of refreshment to Mrs. Robert Crain as members of the Court St. Catherine of Catholic Daughters of America, and the St. Gerard Council of Knights of Columbus set the stage for a "Night in Monte Carlo" to be sponsored by the two groups at the Nativity Parish Annex from 8 p.m. until 1 a.m. Saturday. A weekend in Las Vegas and cash prizes ranging up to \$100 are offered during the evening. (Press-Herald Photo)

CDA, Knights Slate Night in Monte Carlo

A weekend for two in Las Vegas will be the grand prize at the "Night at Monte Carlo" given by Court St. Catherine 1378, Catholic Daughters of America and the St. Gerard Council 4919, Knights of Columbus. It will be held on Saturday evening at the Nativity Parish Annex from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. with \$100, \$50, and hundreds of other prizes to be awarded to lucky guests.

There will be dancing to the music of Clyde Younger's band, a floor show that promises to be hilarious, games, refreshments of all kinds, even a rumor that "Princess Grace" will be in the audience.

Members of both organizations who have been working hard for weeks to make this a memorable evening include the chairman, Dean Mitchell, Mrs. Robert Crain, and Mrs. Elles Cook. Frank Paluch is chairman of the games.

William Beauchstein, refreshments; Mrs. Albert Moreta, decorations, assisted by Mrs. Robert Klaesges; Mrs. Lloyd Landerville, entertainment; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hicks, tickets; Mrs. Cecelia Young, hostesses; Mrs. James Nix, snacks; and Mrs. Charles Butterfield, prizes and publicity, and Regina Cunningham, coffee.

Others who will assist are Mes. George Rausch, Alexander Egger, John McVey, Robert Aguilar, Thomas

Babbitt, Richard Ban, Eileen Barnidge, Charles Belba, Mendes Bertuzzi, David Biloki, Helen Bishop, Wilbur Camp, J. W. Crew, Paul DeCuir, Louie Derouin, Laurence Derouin, James Elliott, Emma Hamilton, William Healy, Paul Hizem, Margaret Howell, Julius Koziol, Laurence Kuhn, Laura Kuhn, Paul Labonawski, Robert Larson, Harvey Lee, Paul McDonald, Patrick McManus, Thomas Murphy, Ralph Sullivan, and the Misses Felice and Cathryn Schaughnessy.

Other Knights of Columbus are Andrew LaHorne, Charles Butterfield, Dick Joosten, Harold Pope, Leo Tanke, George Dominguez, Don Goepner, Anthony Horvat, Bert LaCharite, Ray McLaughlin, Art Haponiski, Ernest Siefker, James Neary, Leo Tempel, Louie Derouin.

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Tickets may be purchased from any member or may be bought at the door on the evening of the 12th.

Lutheran Women Elect Mrs. Royal Friedly

Mrs. Royal Friedly has been elected president of the Women of First Lutheran Church of Torrance. She will be installed during the group's regular meeting Nov. 22 at 7:30 p.m. The Rev. Phillip C. Hiller will be installing officer.

Other new officers are Mrs. Gene Herrmann, vice president; Mrs. Norman Mattson, secretary; Mrs. George Portlock, treasurer; Mrs. Howard Obright, secretary of education, and Mrs. Leonard Swanson, secretary of stewardship.

A workshop for the new officers will be held at Holy Redeemer Lutheran Church in Bellflower Saturday, Nov.

19, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. All circle presidents also are urged to attend the workshop, Mrs. Friedly said.

Sarah Circle will meet Monday, Nov. 14, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Harry Tollefsrud, 22721 Marjorie Ave., and Mary-Martha Circle will meet Tuesday, Nov. 15, at 9:15 a.m. at the church.

Naomi Circle has scheduled a meeting Thursday, Nov. 17, at the home of Mrs.

Malcom Neal, 646 Sartori Ave. Rebekah Circle will meet at noon Thursday, Nov. 17, at the home of Mrs. Robert Moore, 2652 W. Carson St.

The annual Fall Clothing Drive for the Lutheran World Action will be conducted during the week of Nov. 20 through 26. Contributions of children's clothing and blankets are especially needed, it was explained.

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